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DATE: October 19, 1984

MATTER OF: California Aero Dynamics Corporation

DIGEST:

Protest against alleged impropriety in solicitation of best and final offers made after closing date for best and final offers is untimely.

California Aero Dynamics Corporation (CADC) protests that the solicitation of best and final offers under request for proposals No. F09603-84-R-0425 issued by Robins Air Force Base, Georgia, was improper because it added that progress payments would not be allowed until after first article approval.

The closing date for the receipt of best and final offers was September 19, 1984. CADC protested to our Office by letter dated September 20, 1984.

Since CADC did not protest until after the closing date for best and final offers, its protest is untimely. See John Crane-Houdaille, Inc., B-212899, Jan. 20, 1984, 84-1 C.P.D. ¶ 89.

The protest is dismissed.

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